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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

Applicants agree that the patentability of claim 1 is based on the use of diethylamine catalyst. However, claim 1 does not recite the reaction temperature of -20 to 40°C which appears in dependent claim 5. Thus, the patentability of claim 5 is reinforced by this temperature range, in accordance with the Examiner's statement.

Respectfully submitted,



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